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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CANBERRA 2630

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM, AS

SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN STRATEGIC EXPORT CONTROLS

REF: (A) STATE 87397 (B) CANBERRA 2575

1. JAPANESE COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR VISITED EMB M AY 9. STATED GOJ HAD REQUESTED HE INQUIRE US VIEW AUSTRALIAN TERMINATION STRATEGIC CONTROLS.

2. WE EMPHASIZED POINTS REFTEL (A). WITHOUT UNDULY MINIMIZING SIGNIFICANCE AUSTRALIAN ACTION, ESPECIALLY STRESSED MAJOR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND JAPANESE POSITIONS IN THIS FIELD. JAPANESE COUNSELOR REFRAINED FROM EXTENDED DISCUSSION AND DEPARTED AFTER RELATIVELY BRIEF MEETING.

3. SUBSEQUENTLY, EMB PASSED PROCEDURAL SUGGESTION ( PARA 4, REFTEL (A)) TO FLOOD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, DFA. LATTER ACCEPTED SUGGESTION FOR CONSIDERATION, BUT VOLUNTEERED PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS THAT : (1) VIRTUALLY INCONCEIVABLE PRIM MIN UNWILLING USE UK GOVERNMENT AS CHANNEL, VIEW NEW GOA STANCE  
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TOWARD ITS RELATION TO UK; (2) NOW THAT AUSTRALIAN  
DECONTROL OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED PRIM MIN MAY 8 PRESS CONFERENCE,  
IT IS OPEN TO ANY COCOM MEMBER TO DRAW COCOM ATTENTION TO  
THE ACTION. EMBOFF OFFERED PERSONAL SPECULATION THAT SUGGESTED  
UK CHANNEL INCIDENTAL AND MAIN OBJECTIVE PROBABLY THAT ANY  
REPORT IN COCOM ORIGINATE GOA RATHER THAN WITH OTHER COCOM  
MEMBER. FLOOD WILL PASS SUGGESTION ALO

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